

H Joseph Owens, 1926 - 2002

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OWENS, H. JOSEPH,76 years of age, died Saturday at the Sellersburg Health & Rehabilitation Center. Mr. Owens was the son of Burton Owens and Louella Fess, he was a 1943 graduate of New Albany High School and a talented trombonist.

Mr. Owens received his bachelor's degree from the University of Louisville School of Music, taught in the New Albany Floyd County School System, Band Director at Scottsburg High School for five years and was active in the Louisville Orchestra as a trombonist for many years. Mr. Owens taught music at the university level for more than 20 years at both the University of Nebraska and Indiana State University.

He completed his Master's in Music at ISU and was active in the Terre Haute Symphony. In addition to his university teaching, he was a consultant and designer for the Conn Instrument Company for many years. Upon retiring from ISU, Mr. Owens pursued a second career in real estate as a real estate broker and licensed, certified real estate appraiser. He owned and operated the Owens Appraisal Service in Terre Haute for more than 15 years before retiring to southern Indiana in 1995.

Survivors include wife (the former) Virginia Dieckmann Campbell; daughters, Ann R. Owens, St. Louis, MO, Christie L. Owens Balsam, Atlanta, GA; son, Thomas J. Owens, Columbia, SC; stepdaughter, Carla Lewis, Terre Haute, IN; 7 grandchildren. The body has been cremated. KRAFT Funeral Service, 2776 Charlestown Rd., New Albany in charge of arrangements. Memorial service will be held Saturday, June 29th (time pending), at the Kraft Chapel, 2776 Charlestown Rd., New Albany, IN. Expressions of sympathy to Trinity United Methodist Church, 2796 Charlestown Rd., New Albany, IN 47150 or the charity of your choice.